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Exemption No. 5209G

Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2000-8528 - 2

Mr. Dave Prater  
Chairman, Technical Training Committee  
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Dear Mr. Prater:

This is in response to your November 15, 2000, letter petitioning the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of Popular Rotorcraft Association, Inc. (PRA), for an extension of Exemption No. 5209, as amended. That exemption from § 91.319(a)(1) and (2) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) permits PRA and its member flight instructors to conduct certain types of training in an experimental gyroplane for compensation or hire, subject to certain conditions and limitations.

In your petition, you indicate that the conditions and reasons regarding public interest and safety, presented in the original petition upon which the exemption was granted, remain unchanged.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested extension of the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to PRA.

Please note the FAA has assigned a new docket number to this project (Docket No. FAA-2000-8528; previously Docket No. 29425). In an effort to allow the public to participate in tracking the FAA's rulemaking activities, we have transitioned to the Department of Transportation's Internet-accessible Docket Management System (DMS), located at <http://dms.dot.gov>. This new docket system enables interested persons to submit, view, and download requests to the DMS in accordance with 14 CFR § 11.63. Future requests should be submitted through the DMS.

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 5209, as amended, remains valid with respect to this exemption.

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In consideration of the foregoing, I find that a grant of exemption is in the public interest. Therefore, pursuant to the authority contained in 49 U.S.C. §§ 40113 and 44701, delegated to me by the Administrator, Exemption No. 5209, as amended, is hereby further amended by extending its May 31, 2001, termination date to May 31, 2003, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

All other conditions and limitations of Exemption No. 5209, as amended, remain the same. This letter shall be attached to, and is a part of, Exemption No. 5209.

Sincerely,

/s/ L. Nicholas Lacey  
Director, Flight Standards Service

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